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R8 Addresses Soil Contamination Concerns at Anaconda School Board Meeting

R8 representatives attended the 11/14 Anaconda School Board Meeting to address concerns about potential soil contamination in Mitchell Stadium. Concerns were raised when a rail was encountered at two feet below ground surface by a crew excavating a portion of the stadium. EPA presented data from soil sampling performed last summer that demonstrates that the field meets residential cleanup requirements for the Anaconda Smelter Superfund site. EPA used the forum to highlight the importance of complying with the county ordinance in place that establishes a Development Permit System, which is an institutional control that requires a permit be issued prior to any excavation within the Superfund Site. Had the school district applied for the permit before conducting the excavation as required, they would have been advised on proper handling of any excavated materials.

Not a Responsive Record